

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

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Honorable Arlen Specter United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Specter:

This is in response to your correspondence of January 24, 1985 requesting our views on the December 20, 1984 letter the Carbon County Commissioners sent to EPA regarding the Palmerton Zinc Superfund site.

In their letter, the Commissioners suggested we contact a local medical doctor, Dr. E. Stanley Cope, to assist us in our review of information on the site and the potential effects the contamination could have on the health of Palmerton residents. As we stated in our response to the Commissioners, we will contact Dr. Cope to make arrangements for his participation in the review.

I have enclosed a copy of the letter we sent to the Commissioners responding to their letter.

If you need additional information, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

Stanley L. Laskowski

Acting Regional Administrator

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